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IN THE COURSE OF THE DCM'S CALL ON MFA UNDERSECRETARY NADIM MORNING OF JULY 29 ON OTHER MATTERS, PRESIDENT SADAT'S CRITICISM OF THE INADEQUACIES OF ARAB AID TO EGYPT CAME UP. NADIM SAID THAT IRAN AGREED WITH SADAT THAT THE ASSISTANCE OFFERED SO FAR WAS GROSSLY INADEQUATE TO EGYPT'S NEEDS. HE THOUGHT IT WAS CLEARLY IN SAUDI ARABIA'S INTEREST TO BE MORE FORTHCOMING, SINCE SADAT HAD PUT HIS FUTURE ON THE BLOCK IN TURNING FROM THE SOVIET UNION TO THE WEST. IF SADAT COULD NOT MEET THE MINIMUM EXPECTATIONS OF HIS PEOPLE, IT WAS QUESTIONABLE HOW LONG HE COULD SURVIVE. HE SAID THE SAUDIS WERE NOTORIOUSLY STINGY AND COULD NOT UNDERSTAND THEIR POSITION IN VIEW OF THEIR MORE-THAN-ADEQUATE RESERVES. HE DID NOT INDICATE, HOWEVER, WHETHER IRAN INTENDED TO SPEAK TO SAUDI ARABIA FURTHER ON THIS MATTER.

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